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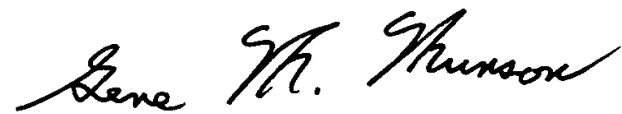
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The reply brief filed 21 July 2004 has been entered and considered. The examiner's answer stands as stated. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

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